

THE CHARTER BOARD HAS PLAN

PROVIDES FOR A MAYOR WHO IS NOT ELECTED BY PEOPLE

WORKING HARD TO FIND MAKER DEADLY BOMB

People of San Francisco
Losing No Time in Hunt
for Guilty Party.

OFFER REWARD OF
\$5,000 FOR PROOF

New Phase Bomb Outrage is
Related by Doctor, an
Eye Witness.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
San Francisco, Cal., July 24.—Under the pressure of public sentiment which has been aroused over the bomb explosion that marked Saturday's preparedness parade here, the authorities today are working with determination to apprehend the perpetrator of the deed. To the death list of six it is expected that two and probably more of the 44 injured will be added, five of the victims being reported in a critical condition.

Led by Mayor Rolph, who has offered a reward of \$5,000 for the arrest of the person, and who is taking an active part in the search, scores of citizens have volunteered their services for personal aid.

A mass meeting to "express an opinion of bomb outrage" was called today for next Wednesday by Frederick J. Koster, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and chairman of the committee on law and order which was appointed recently to deal with the longshoremen strike situation.

Several clues are being followed with great activity. Two men who claimed to have seen the man with the suitcase believed to have contained the infernal machine, described him as about 35 years old, tall and shabbily dressed. A reward of \$1,000 has been offered by the brother of one of the victims. Experts retained by the police have arrived at the conclusion, it was said, that the bomb had as its principal ingredient nitro-toluol. This substance, they say, was compressed into a length of cast steel pipe, which, judging from the fragments picked up in the area of destruction, must have been from a foot to 15 inches long and from 6 to 8 inches in diameter.

Such a bomb, it is stated, could have been fired by a time arrangement affixed to an ordinary alarm clock.

An entirely new angle to the case was presented to the police by Dr. J. Mora Moss, who said that the explosive either was tossed in the crowd or dropped from the top of a one-story building at Market and Steuart streets. Dr. Moss said he was in Steuart street at the time forming in line with the Sons of the American Revolution, and observed the bomb falling to the street. He said:

"I happened to turn and saw a black object, surrounded by smoke, falling through the air. It was perhaps ten feet above the ground. It fell among the crowd and the explosion followed. I am sure that it was hurled into the mass of people and the theory that the suitcase was placed against the corner building is incorrect."

Frank F. Josefson, the sailor who was arrested Saturday when he made a speech at the scene of the explosion in condonation of the act, is still in custody.

GOV. COLQUITT LEADS

IN TEXAS FOR SENATE
Dallas, July 24.—Returns from 216 of the 253 Texas counties tonight showed former Governor Colquitt leading for the democratic senatorial nomination, and the lead in favor of submitting the state wide prohibition amendment to voters rapidly decreasing.

BIGGEST CREDIT

WAR BOND IS ASKED
London, July 24.—Premier Asquith today asked parliament for an additional credit vote of two billion, two hundred and fifty million dollars. This is the largest requested since the war.

SENATE CALLS HALT IN BILL RETRENCHING

Voted Down Retrenchments
and Approved Increases
for Army and Guard.

OVER \$30,000,000
FOR EQUIPMENT

Debate Showed Sentiment
of Preparedness, Despite
Strong Opposition.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Washington, July 24.—The senate today called a halt on the wholesale reductions begun Saturday in the army appropriation bill, and voted down the retrenchments and approved increases totaling more than \$30,000,000 when it reached sections carrying provisions for ordnance and equipment of regulars and the militia. Today's debate developed the predominant sentiment: that it was unwise to limit the expenditures for ammunition and guns and other army equipment too closely, despite the lessening tension of the Mexican situation.

Chairman Chamberlain, of the military committee, aroused by the anti-preparedness arguments by Senator Norris, vehemently arraigned those senators who, Chamberlain declared, had constantly intimated that the preparedness advocates were conspiring with the munitions makers.

Senator Townsend, assailing the administration policy, asserted the militia was sent to the border under "false pretenses" and that diplomatic correspondence proved there never was any intention to send troops into Mexico.

HONORS PAID HOOSIER POET

Flags Fly at Half-Mast at
Indianapolis in Memory
J. W. Riley.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Indianapolis, July 24.—Flags all over Indianapolis and in many other cities of the state were at half mast today in memory of James Whitcomb Riley, who died suddenly Saturday night. The body will lie in state at the capitol from 3 to 9 o'clock this evening, in the same spot where Mr. Riley stood a few years ago when he recited his own poem "Old Glory."

at the time the body of General Lawton lay in state in the capitol. The body was to be taken from the Riley home shortly after 2 o'clock accompanied by a police escort.

Only tentative funeral arrangements have been made, but burial will be made here.

PRESIDENT SENDS A MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE

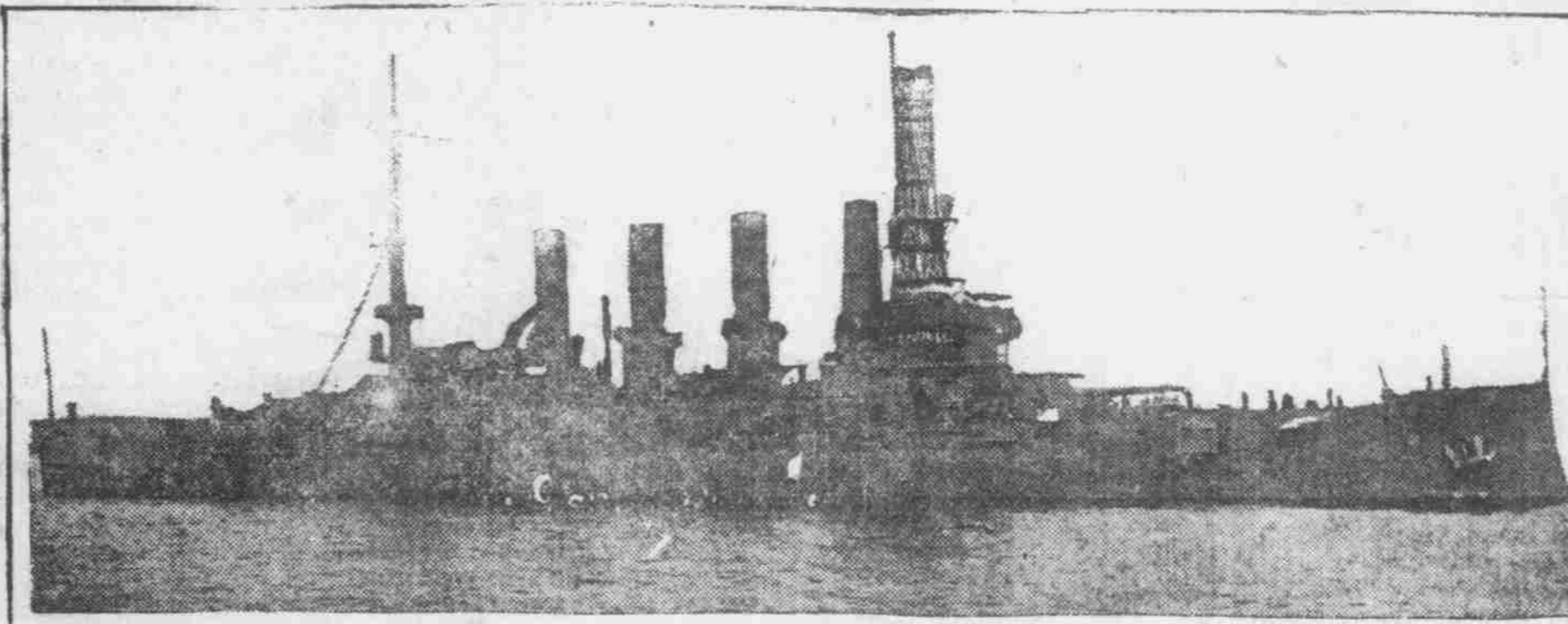
Washington, July 24.—President Wilson today sent the following telegram to Henry Eitel, of Indianapolis, brother-in-law of the late James Whitcomb Riley:

"May I not express to you my sincere sorrow at the death of James Whitcomb Riley? With his death a notable figure passes from the nation's life; a man who imparted joyous pleasure and a thoughtful view of many things that other men would have missed. I am sure I am speaking the feeling of the whole country in expressing my own sense of loss."

REPORTS INDICATE A HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE

Cleveland, July 24.—Fifteen were killed and eighteen overcome by gas in the new water works tunnel extending from the shore to the east side crib today.

'North Carolina' Will Protect 'Deutschland' Within Three Mile Limit



The North Carolina has been assigned to the task of looking after the neutral interests of the United States in the case of the German super-submarine, the Deutschland, about to start on her return trip to Germany. The North Carolina will patrol the three-mile limit out at sea to make sure ships of the British or allies, waiting for the submarine, do not come within the three-mile limit.

DEUTSCHLAND READY TO GO

German Submarine Merchantman Will Leave
Within Few Days.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Baltimore, July 24.—Asked today when the German merchant submarine Deutschland would sail on her return voyage to Germany, Paul G. L. Hilken, member of the Eastern Forwarding Company, the boat's American agency, said she would start "just as soon as we can get her ready, and that will not be much longer."

From a source regarded as most reliable it was ascertained today that the Eastern Forwarding Company has successfully closed its negotiations for a large consignment of gold to be taken back on the submersible.

It was said the gold would be put aboard today and that the boat will then be ready to leave. Nothing could be learned as to the amount or from whom it was obtained except that it was through negotiations with "one of the largest American banking institutions."

NON-ARRIVAL OF SECOND SUBMERSIBLE DISAPPOINTING

Norfolk, Va., July 24.—Persons who maintained a vigil for the Bremen, sister ship of the giant German submersible Deutschland, for the past 48 hours were keenly disappointed at the failure of the submersible to put in an appearance at Cape Henry. So far as could be learned here today no authoritative information as to her whereabouts has been received.

Persons who accurately forecasted the coming of the "ent" almost to the hour of its arrival, and who declared Saturday that the Bremen would put in, probably off Cape Henry, not later than today, made no attempt to explain her failure to appear. They insisted that she probably had been slightly delayed, possibly by the presence of the allied warships just outside the capes, and that she might be expected to dash into safety at any time, but simultaneously admitted their disappointment over the situation.

Others, including seafaring men, many of whom even scout the assertion that the Bremen is on its way to the United States, say she is nowhere near the capes else she would have rushed to safety some time during the last two days. During that period the sea has been exceedingly rough, the skies have been overcast almost continuously day and night, and heavy rains have fallen, making conditions ideal for a dash into the capes.

The feeling that the Bremen is not near the capes appeared to have spread today to the allied warships. Only one of them was in sight, and she was cruising far off the coast.

BUILD BRIDGE AT FERRY PASS, NOT MOLINO, PLAN

Is the bridge between Escambia and Santa Rosa counties to be built at Molino, or is it to be built at Ferry Pass?

This is the problem that will be worked out at a meeting Thursday afternoon at 2:30 at the court house in Pensacola, between the county commissioners of Escambia county and Santa Rosa county.

It will be remembered that the Escambia commissioners recently appropriated \$15,000 to build the bridge at Molino, but it is claimed by those in position to know that they will welcome any excuse to rescind their action, because they are convinced that the site is not a feasible one and because Santa Rosa county will not co-operate with the project in the least.

Be this as it may, in it is the Escambia county commissioners, who, in special session, have arranged the meeting with the Santa Rosa commissioners to discuss the Ferry Pass bridge.

It is stated that Molino is an unsuitable site for the bridge because of the heavy expense that must be incurred to build the necessary trestle and approaches from the Santa Rosa side to the island in the middle of the river dividing the two counties, which all the distance the Escambia bridge would extend. This expense, the Santa Rosa people are unwilling to incur. The bridge, therefore, would be only half a bridge, it is stated. It would run to the middle of the river and stop and would simply mean money thrown away.

ILLEGAL TO REDUCE THE SCHOOL BUDGET, STATED

That the Board of County Commissioners exceeded their authority, unless some error was made in the list of expenditures of the schools the rate could not be lowered.

Reduction Illegal.
The opinion of County Attorney R. Pope Reese was sought in the matter, and in his communication to the secretary of the board, he stated that the assessment must be set at 7 mills if the school budget is properly prepared, and the expenditures are legal and not excessive.

In speaking of the present controversy, Thomas A. Johnson, deputy circuit clerk, and secretary of the board stated that much confusion would be entailed in regard to the tax levy, and that should the board rescind its former action, the appropriations for the home and farm demonstration work would automatically become void, as the motion making the assessment was a joint one, making provision for the demonstration agents salaries at the same time. It is simply one-eighth of a mill appropriation from the school fund, and placed it in the general fund, to defray the expense of the demonstration agents.

The school board then raised the question of the legality of the action of the commissioners claiming that unless something was wrong with the list of expenditures of the schools the rate could not be lowered.

Kaiser Tells His Men Why He Stays at Home

London, July 24.—A Bern, Switzerland, dispatch quotes the kaiser as saying in a speech to wounded German soldiers near Peronne that if he had his way he would take his place in the trenches and would leave his mark on the enemy. But "my life must be conserved carefully for the welfare of Germany in order to carry out the duties assigned to me by Divine appointment."

SENATE CONFIRMS THE NOMINATION OF CLARKE

Washington, July 24.—The senate today confirmed the nomination of John H. Clarke, of Cleveland, as associate justice to the supreme court.

BLISS CHARACTERIZES ALL REPORTS FALSE

Washington, July 24.—Major General Bliss, assistant chief of staff today, declared all reports of inefficiency and bad rations in the national guard camps in the Brownsville district, were wholly false.

GERMANS IN GREAT CLASH

Australians and Teutons
Engaged in a Furious
Fight.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
London, July 24.—At Pozieres, in the region of the river Somme, Australians are still fighting furiously with the Germans for possession of that village and the head of a road leading from Pozieres to Bapaume. The greater part of Pozieres is reported to be in Australian hands.

There has been a slackening in the vicious fighting which began Saturday night along the British front from Thiepval to Guillemont and a condition of comparative calm prevails south of the Somme along the French line, while in the Verdun region the French have occupied the German redoubt west of Thiaumont. Berlin claims the British captured only a few houses in Pozieres and that the Australians suffered heavy losses.

That some German troops have been removed from the Verdun region to the Somme region is shown by the German announcement that the Brandenburg grenadiers "of Douaumont fame," defeated the British Sunday at Longueval.

Although unofficial reports from Petrograd have credited the Russians with big gains against the Germans near Riga, neither the Russian nor German official statements mention any important changes in that section, but Germany announces the Kaiser has gone from the western to the eastern front.

Russians report more progress against the Turks in Turkish Armenia, while in the south along the Persian frontier the Turks claim new successes against the Russians.

Italians report continued advances against Austrians in the Astico and Avisia regions.

Thought George Washington President

He was an Italian, but cherished a desire to become an American citizen.

So the dark son of sunny Italy appeared before the court asking that his name be enrolled for naturalization.

Then came the examination to ascertain how much he knew about America and its ideals, and determine his qualification for citizenship.

"Do you know who is the ruler of the United States?"

A broad grin and a glitter of teeth bespoke his confidence.

"Yes, mistake judge, yeas sir."

"Well, who is he?"

And the sunny one said:

"George da Wash."

He is still an Italian.

PRECINCTS BE REPRESENTED BY ALDERMEN

City Charter Proposes the
Mayor Be Chosen From
the Councilmen.

PROVIDES FOR ALL
COMMISSIONERS

Proposition in Present Form
Now Goes to City Attorney for Opinion.

Fourteen aldermen, two being at large, and a mayor not elected by the people, will be Pensacola's future governing body if the plan adopted last night by the Charter Board and referred to the city attorney for advice, is finally adopted by the people. One alderman is to be chosen from each precinct, and the at-large districts will be east and west, respectively, of Palafox.

The people will not be able to vote on the mayor, as he will be chosen by the councilmen from among their number. A simple majority will be enough to choose the mayor.

Commissioners Provided For.
Each of the city commissioners is provided for in the following clause defining the duties of the mayor, to "Fix salaries of city officials, except the salaries of the present city commissioners, who shall each receive the same salary he now receives until the expiration of the time for which he was elected, and shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed in the charter."

The board meeting was attended by nine members last night. Chairman Yonge presided, and those present were Messrs. Christie, Aiken, Cary, Fisher, Welsh, Muller, Sweeney, Bear and Merritt. A quorum being declared present, the minutes of the past meeting were read and accepted without alteration.

Communications, suggesting certain ideas to be incorporated in the charter to be submitted to the people were read and received. One came from S. R. M. Kennedy and the other from R. C. V. Smith.

Chairman Merritt, of the special committee of five, named to draw up and suggest a charter for submission to the people, read the report, after which it was agreed to receive the same, adopt that portion which recommends the adoption of the charter in its presented form and then refer it to the city attorney. The city attorney, it was explained, will return it to the charter board just as early as convenient, and the board, in line with a motion made and carried at last night's meeting, will again have an opportunity and authority to make any slight amendment. In its completed form, however, after it comes from the city attorney, it will likely go to the people for adoption or rejection. Five weeks or thereabouts, after it comes from the city attorney, it goes to the people for acceptance or rejection, in a special election.

In case it is carried, then another five weeks will elapse, it is said, before the election of officials will go to the people. The only officers the people will have a direct voice in selecting will be aldermen. Each precinct will elect one representative, and, as stated above, two at large will be chosen from the entire city.

Defining the duties of the mayor, and the manner of his election, the proposed charter provides:

Respecting the Mayor.

The mayor shall be elected by a majority vote of the council from the aldermen. Term of office four years. While mayor he shall not exercise any of the functions of an alderman. Shall be the chief executive officer of the city. Shall be chairman of the advisory board. Shall have general oversight and control of all administrative departments. Shall make

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